



## ABOUT SB/SCAP

The primary mission of the DEQ's Small Business & Small Community Assistance Program is to provide important environmental regulatory assistance to small businesses and to provide environmental regulatory information to small communities.

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## DEQ emergency rule requires haulers of sewage sludge to register with DEQ for license

*By Kilren Vidrine, Environmental Scientist-Staff, Water Permits Division, DEQ headquarters, Baton Rouge, La.*

Effective July 1, 2009, the state's licensing program for sewage sludge haulers was transferred from the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) by Act 56 of the 2008 session of the state legislature. As a result, the regulation governing the generation, transportation and disposal of sewage sludge will be housed within one agency, DEQ.

DEQ has notified haulers currently registered with DHH of the new law and of the May 1 deadline for submission of registration to DEQ. This deadline allows for adequate processing time to ensure that haulers can be registered by July 1, 2009.

Unregistered haulers may submit registration forms after July 1. Those submittals will be evaluated, but unregistered haulers cannot pump or haul sewage sludge until they have received an *Approval Letter* or *Conditional Approval Letter* from DEQ.

DEQ issued an Emergency Rule effective July 1, 2009, that allows transporters to conditionally continue to haul to facilities that were indicated as a "Receiving Facility" in their Hauler Registration Form.

The Rule gives the "Receiving Facility" four months to submit the

proper forms to DEQ and to obtain the necessary permit to handle sewage sludge from haulers. The Rule can be accessed at: [www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/portals/0/planning/regs/pdf/WQ078E.pdf](http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/portals/0/planning/regs/pdf/WQ078E.pdf).

Other applicable documents can be accessed on DEQ's Web site under Water Permits Division: "Sewage Sludge/Biosolids" and "Water Permits Division e-Newsletter."

For further information regarding how to access the Hauler's Registration Form and questions on how to complete the form, contact Suzanne Bordelon at (225) 219-3253. For all technical questions regarding the management of sewage sludge, contact Kilren Vidrine at (225) 219-3012.



## Recovery act funding for Louisiana clean diesel grant program

DEQ is now soliciting project proposals for the **Louisiana Clean Diesel Grant Program**. Funding for the grants is through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Grants will be awarded to eligible organizations for projects that maximize the benefits to public health, create and sustain existing jobs, and

reduce diesel emissions in Louisiana. Awarded grants will achieve diesel emissions reductions by retrofitting, upgrading, replacement, or reduced idling from on-road and off-road diesel engines and equipment. All grants shall use EPA or California Air Resource Board Verified Technologies. All project

proposals must be received before 5:00 pm on **August 14, 2009**.

For more information, visit DEQ's website Stimulus Package Information at [www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/](http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/) or contact Gilberto Cuadra, Environmental Scientist at (225) 219-3507 or e-mail him at [Gilberto.cuadra@la.gov](mailto:Gilberto.cuadra@la.gov).



**Is your business prepared for the hurricane season?**

Visit the Governor's Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness web site:  
**[www.getagameplan.org](http://www.getagameplan.org)**

### DEQ Training Classes Schedule

#### Underground Storage Tanks Training

Date	Location	Time
12-Aug-09	Shreveport	8 am -12 Noon
2-Sep-09	W. Monroe	8 am -12 Noon
16-Sep-09	Baton Rouge	1 pm - 5pm
14-Oct-09	Crowley	8 am -12 Noon

To register for these FREE classes, call Tommie Johnson

#### Sanitary Wastewater Compliance Assistance Training

Date	Location	Time
20-Aug-09	Alexandria	8 am - 12 Noon
22-Oct-09	St. Tammany	8:30 am - 12:30 pm

To register for these FREE classes, call (225) 219-3720.



### Reminders:

#### JULY

- 28 Semi-annual & quarterly discharge Monitoring report (DMR) due

#### AUGUST

- 1 Annual report for generators, processors, disposers of solid waste due

#### SEPTEMBER

- 30 Stage II certificate expires  
Ozone season ends

### Industrial links:



#### National Metal Finishing Resource Center

[www.nmfrc.org](http://www.nmfrc.org)

#### ChemAlliance

[www.chemalliance.org](http://www.chemalliance.org)

#### Construction Industry Compliance Assistance Center

[www.cicacenter.org](http://www.cicacenter.org)

#### Paints and Coatings Resource Center

[www.paintcenter.org](http://www.paintcenter.org)

#### Printers' National Environmental Assistance Center

[www.pneac.org](http://www.pneac.org)

#### EPA Area Source Standards Updates

[www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/area/arearules.html](http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/area/arearules.html)